

HO-906
George Gore Farm
6436 Cedar Lane
Private

Description:

The George Gore Farm house was recently demolished, and only the barn survives, though it is scheduled to be demolished too. The barn is a two-story, three-bay by one-bay frame structure with the forebay facing south and a ramp on the north, where the building is banked. It has a poured concrete foundation on the lower story and circular sawn board-and-batten siding on the upper story, with a gable roof that has inverted-V-seam metal and an east-west ridge. The eaves are open, with exposed rafters. The interior of the lower story has circular-sawn joists that lap at the two summer beams. The summer beams are constructed of three 2 1/2 by 12s that are ganged together with wire nails. The interior has been subdivided by new walls. The upper story has had partitions and floors added but the original configuration is three bays with a center wagon floor and a hay mow to each side. It is constructed of a circular-sawn heavy timber frame that is mortised and tenoned and pegged and is also nailed. There are four posts in each bent, with the queen posts offset above the single girt, and set beneath the purlins. The girts extend outside of the barn and must contain a knob and neck joint in the post.

Significance:

The George Gore Farm was originally owned by William O. Wheary in the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries. Wheary died in 1909 and his heirs sold the farm to Samuel Scott. By 1913 Scott had sold his personal property and left the area, and Gore acquired the farm by deed in 1916. The house, garage, and corn crib were recently demolished, but the house appears from the foundation to have been a twentieth-century structure. Only the barn survived, and it was to be demolished shortly. The barn is constructed of a circular-sawn heavy timber frame, dating it generally to after 1890, but the heavy use of wire nails in the construction of the joints, including the mortised and tenoned ones, the concrete foundation, and the narrow sawn joists (rather than large logs) suggest that the barn was built at least after 1910 and probably after 1920. It hardly seems likely that Wheary constructed new buildings on his farm as he was approaching retirement. It is possible that Scott built them and got into financial trouble, then had to sell, but George Gore, who owned the farm until 1943, was most likely responsible for modernizing the property.

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. HO-906

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic George Gore Farm

other

2. Location

street and number 6436 Cedar Lane not for publication

city, town Simpsonville vicinity

county Howard

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Freetown LLC

street and number 6300 Woodside Court telephone 301-317-0122

city, town Columbia state MD zip code 21046

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 35-224, 326

city, town Ellicott City liber 8800 folio 614

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report
- Other

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function		Resource Count	
				Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress		
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
				Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
				<u>0</u>	

7. Description

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Condition

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> altered |
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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The George Gore Farm is located at 6436 Cedar Lane in central Howard County, Maryland. The house was recently demolished, and only the barn survives, though it is scheduled to be demolished too. The barn is a two-story, three-bay by one-bay frame structure with the forebay facing south and a ramp on the north, where the building is banked. It has a poured concrete foundation on the lower story and circular sawn board-and-batten siding on the upper story, with a gable roof that has inverted-V-seam metal and an east-west ridge. The eaves are open, with exposed rafters.

The north elevation has no openings in the foundation. The upper story has a pair of wagon doors hung on rollers in the center, and they match the siding. The east elevation has two one-light sash in wood frames in the lower story, and no openings in the upper story. The west elevation is identical to the east elevation. On the south elevation, the lower story has three boxed posts beneath the forebay sill. The lower story has a board-and-batten wall with, from west to east, a board-and-batten Dutch door on machine-made strap hinges that is typical for this barn; a boarded up window/vent opening; a typical door; then a pair of board-and-batten doors in an altered opening that appears originally had a single door and a window. These doors are hung on four old machine-made strap hinges and two new ones. To the east of these doors is a typical door; a boarded up window opening; and, a typical door. The upper story has no openings. There is red paint on the knobs of the girts, suggesting that all of the siding must have been replaced.

The interior of the lower story has circular-sawn joists that are 2 1/2 inches by 10 inches and are spaced 16 inches on centers. They run north-south and lap at the two summer beams. The summer beams are constructed of three 2 1/2 by 12s that are ganged together with wire nails. The interior has been subdivided by new plywood and wafer board walls. There are posts under each section of the summer beam. The joists are toe nailed to the north edge of the forebay sill, and there is also a ledger board nailed to the bottom of the sill, with the joists notched to rest on this ledger board. The bent sills also appear to butt and are toe nailed. It is not possible to tell for certain whether or not the bent sills are mortised and tenoned and pegged. The forebay sill pieces are butted just next to the bent sills, and do not appear to have any kind of scarf joint to connect them. The flooring above is of circular-sawn boards. It is not possible to tell what the original configuration of the lower story was.

The upper story has had partitions and floors added of dimensional lumber and plywood, but the original configuration is three bays with a center wagon floor and a hay mow to each side. The northeast corner has an enclosed stair down to the lower story and a vertical board door on rollers into the northeast corner. This is not an old room but could be an alteration. There is no ceiling in this room, and the walls are new. The southeast corner is also enclosed with vertical boards and a door on rollers on the west side. The barn now has a plywood floor. It is constructed of a circular-sawn heavy timber frame that is mortised and tenoned and pegged and is also nailed. There are four posts in each bent, with the queen posts offset above the single girt, and set beneath the purlins. They are braced with nailed braces. The girts extend outside of the barn and must contain a knob and neck joint in the post. The girts are set at the top of the end posts, below the plate. The plates and purlins have half-lap scarf joints. The rafters are approximately 2-by-4s and are mitered at the ridge. They support wide board lath, and there is a hay track in the ridge. Ladders are nailed to the center posts with wire nails.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Specific dates N/A Architect/Builder N/A

Construction dates c. 1920

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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(1). Howard County Land Records, LJW 51-316; WWLC 88-149; HBN 102-408; BM Jr. 177-582. Howard County Commissioners of the Tax, District 5 Assessment, 1896-1910, 1910-1917, Maryland State Archives.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See ~~continuation sheet~~. *Footnotes*

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 12.84 acres

Acreage of historical setting 80 1/4 acres

Quadrangle name Clarksville

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries follow the existing property boundaries for the two parcels of this farm that survive, encompassing all of the land where buildings stand or once stood.

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Ken Short

organization Howard County Dept. of Planning & Zoning

date 10/18/2006

street and number 3430 Courthouse Drive

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city or town Ellicott City

state MD zip code 21043

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville MD 21032
410-514-7600

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CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR/HOME	GRANTEE/HOME	DATE	LIBER/ FOLIO	INSTRU- MENT	CONSIDER- ATION	ACREAGE	NOTES
Paul L. & Betty R. Thompson (H/W) P & B Thompson Family LLC	Freetown, LLC	11.18.2004	MDR 8800-614	Deed - fee simple	\$3,050,000	1) .852 ac. 2) 5.99 ac.	See also 8564-229
Charles J. & Marianne Crouse (H/W)?	Paul L & Betty T. Thompson (H/W)?	1.27.1994	MDR 3160-367	Deed - fee simple	\$282,000	.956 ac .104 ac = .852 ac	
Paul L. Thompson & wf. Betty R.	P. & B. Thompson Family LLC	4.12.2004	MDR 8308-496	Deed - fee Simple	\$0	6.828 ac. ?	
Paul L. Thompson & Betty R Thompson (H/W)	P & B Thompson Family LLC	4.12.2004	MDR 8564-229	Deed - fee simple	\$0	6.828 ac ? - 206 ac 5.99 ac	
Charles J. & Marianne Crouse	Paul L. & Barry R. Thompson (H/W)?	1.27.1994	MDR 3162-364	Deed - fee simple	\$211,500	6.828 ac - ? = 5.99 ac.	(2)
Charles Jones Crouse/?	Charles J. & Marianne Crouse (H/W)?	7.22.1977	CMP 853-483	Deed-fee simple	\$10.00	.95 ac. 6.828 ac. ?	(1)
Wayne Dexter & Marianne Bertz Wildes (H/W)?	Charles James Crouse/?	3.27.1975	CMP 717-184	Deed - fee simple	\$10.00	.956 ac	(1)
Wayne Dexter & Marianne Bertz Wildes (H/W)?	Wayne Dexter & Marianne Bertz Wildes (H/W)?	2.28.1975	CMP 714-484	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	.956 ac.	(1)
Gladys M. Taylor/?	Wayne Dexter & Marianne Bertz Wildes(H/W)?	8.16.1974	CMP 694-639	Deed - fee simple	\$10.00	6.818 ac ?	CPT d (1)
Jesse E. Aiken C. Ellsworth Iager	Charles P. & Gladys M. Taylor (H/W)?	6.27.1961	WHH 373-115	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	6.828 ac,	
Walter E. & Alta R. Day (H/W)?	Charles P. & Gladys M. Taylor (H/W)?	2.6.1962	WHH 381-13	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	?	
Roger H. Hefler & wf. Doris A/?	C. Ellsworth Iager Jesse E. Aiken/?	7.27.1961	WHH 373-110	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	80 ac.	

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Aloysius W. Reid & wf. Martha E./?	Roger H. Hefler & wf. Doris A./?	5.21.1954	MWB 257-134	Deed - fee simple	\$10.00	80 ac.	
George B. & Sarah L. Gore (H/W)/Howard	Aloysius W. & Martha E. Reid (H/W)	5.10.1943	BM, Jr. 177-582	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	80 ac.	P/O Richmond's Lot
Samuel C. Scott & wf. Ellen Z./Howard	George B. Gore/Howard	11.29.1916	HBN 102-408	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	80-1/4 ac.	Wm. O. Wharry Will 1.1.1909 WHM 4-472
Charles Canby & wf. Lizzie/Howard	Samuel Scott/Howard	10.22.1909	WWLC 88-149	Deed - fee simple	\$1650	?	
Joseph O. McCauley & wf. Rebecca/Howard	William O. Wheary/Howard	10.28.1886	LJW 51-316	Deed - fee simple	\$1500	79 ac. -44 ac.	
Joseph O. McCauley & wf. Rebecca M./Howard	William O. Wheary/Howard	5.16.1884	LJW 48-14	Deed - fee simple	\$20	¼ ac.	On Simpsonville Rd. adjoins 1 ac. Lot sold to Wheary
Martha Lilly & husband Robert/Howard	William O. Wheary/Howard	1.27.1879	LJW 40-547	Deed - fee simple	\$450	1 ac.	

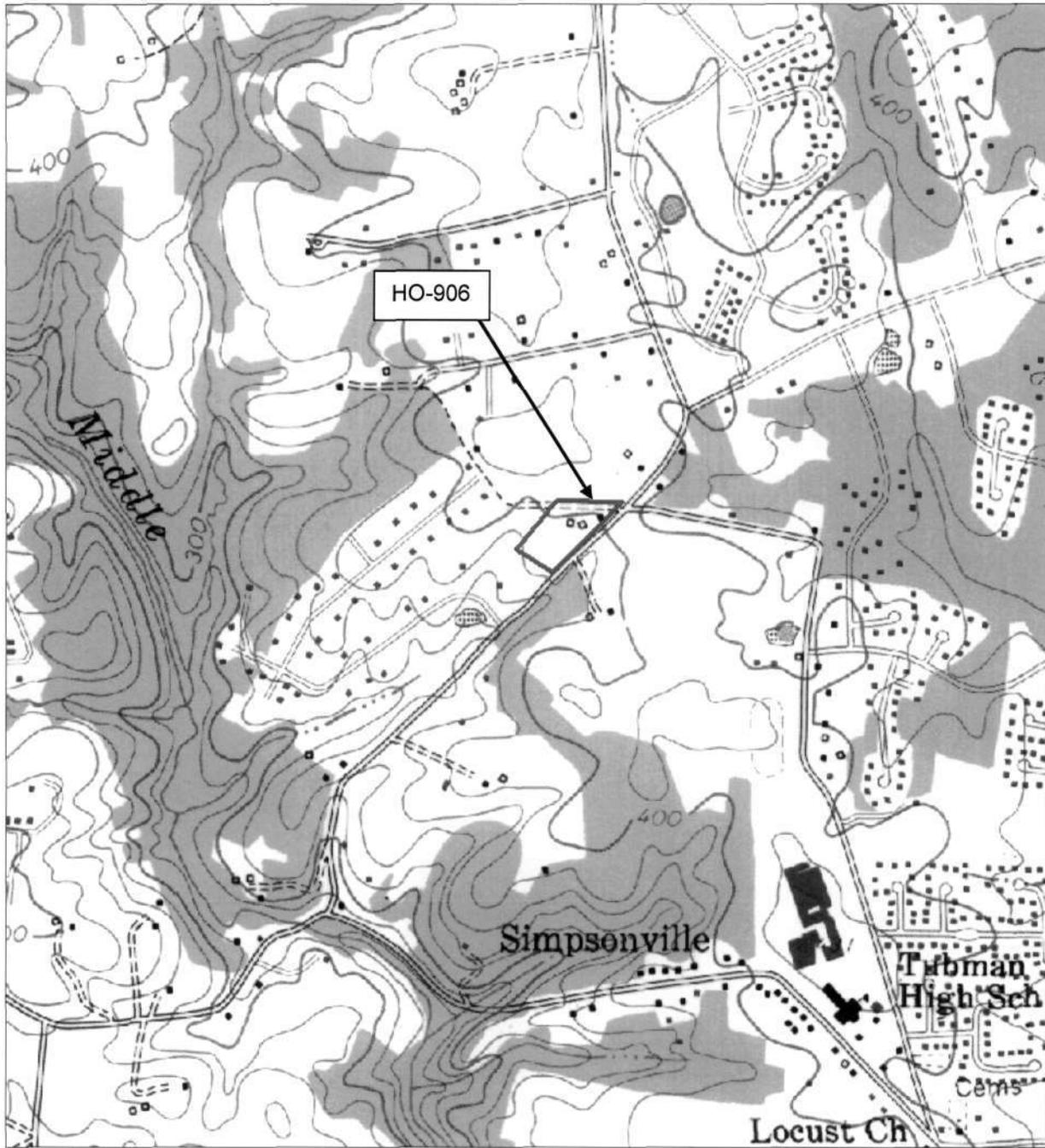
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George Gore Farm, site
6436 Cedar Lane, Columbia
Howard County, Maryland GIS
Howard County Aerial Photography Viewer

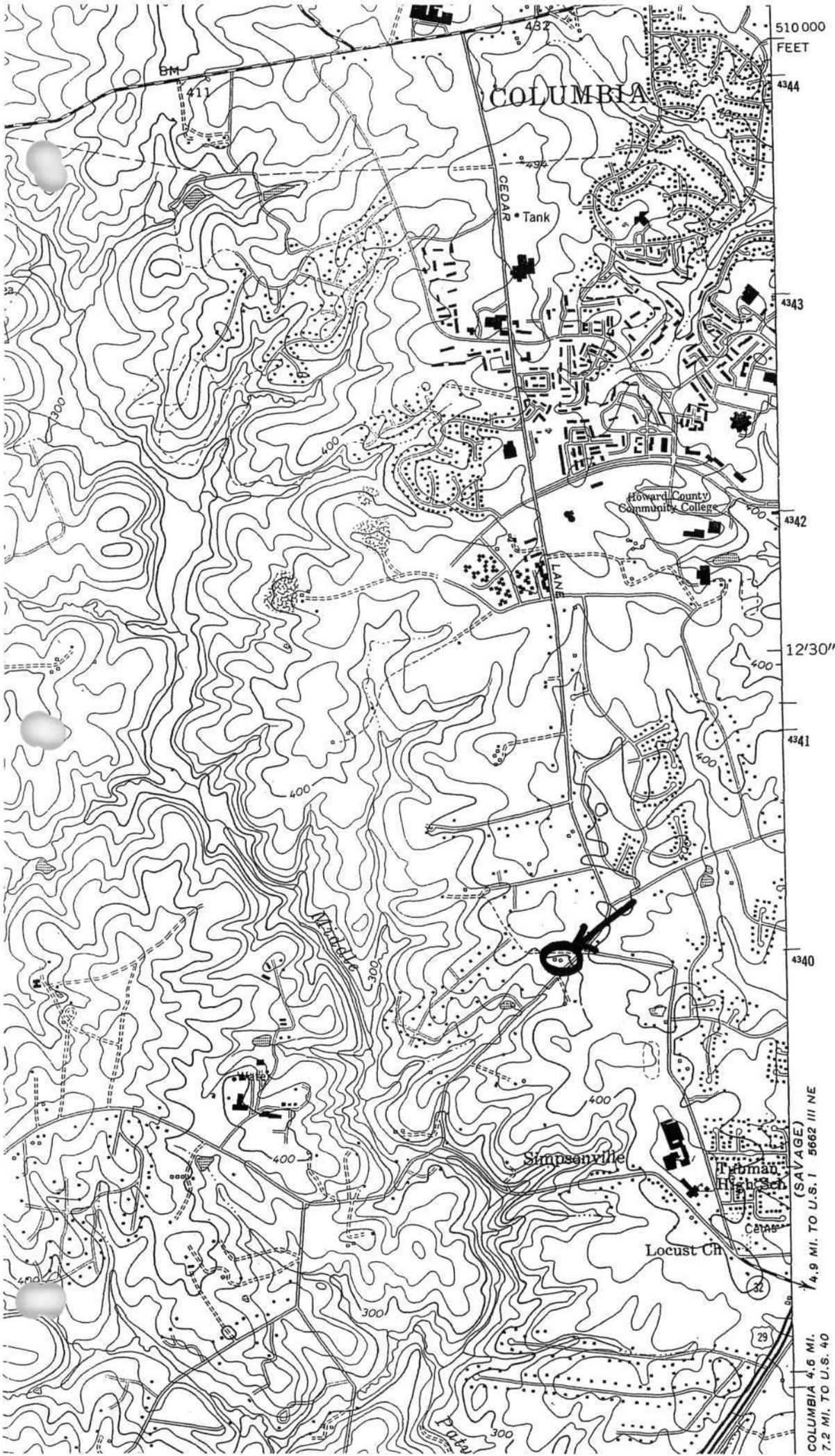
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George Gore Farm, site
6436 Cedar Lane, Columbia
Clarksville Quadrangle, 1957 (Photorevised 1979)

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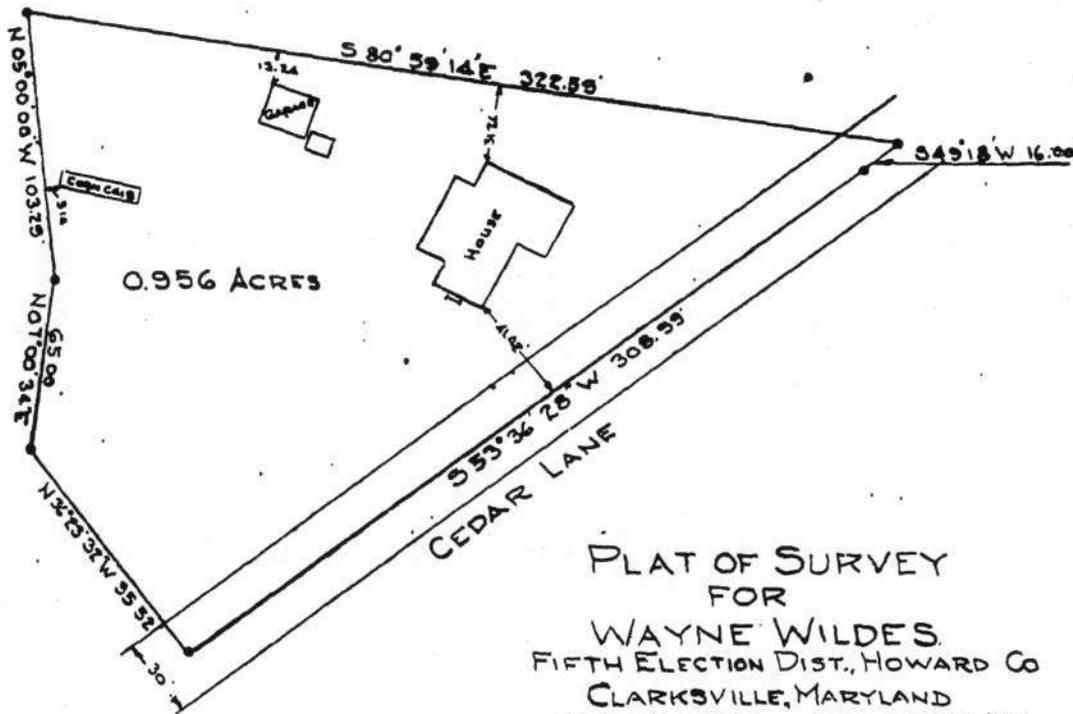




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George Gore Farm
6436 Cedar Lane
Clarksville Quad

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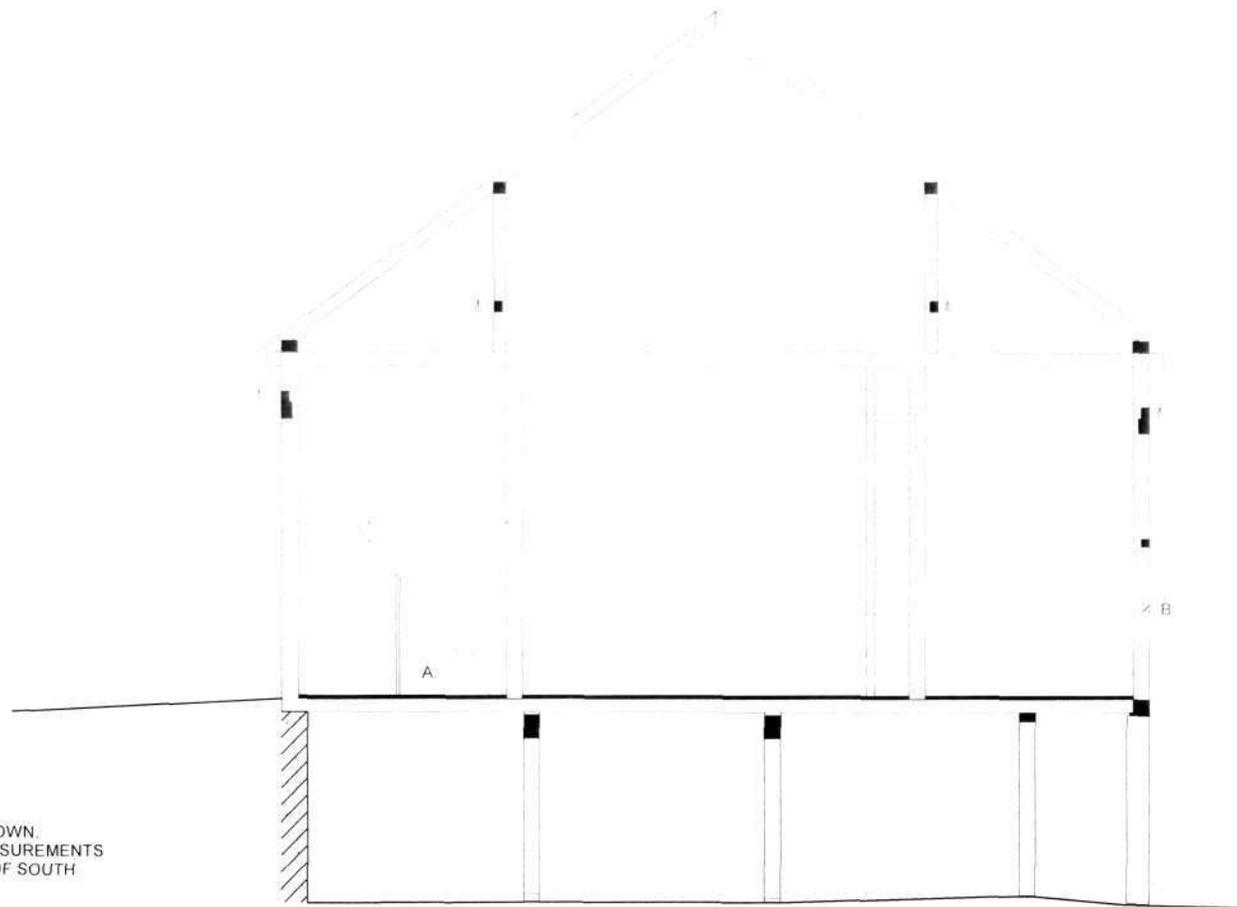
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PLAT OF SURVEY
FOR
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FIFTH ELECTION DIST., HOWARD CO
CLARKSVILLE, MARYLAND
SCALE: 1 IN = 50 FT SEPT 3 1975

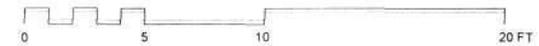
Robert C. Rose

HO-906
George Gore Farm
6436 Cedar Lane
1975 plat of property



NOTES:

A. BOARD SIDING NOT SHOWN.
B. NOT ACCESSIBLE. MEASUREMENTS
TAKEN FROM WEST BAY OF SOUTH
WALL.



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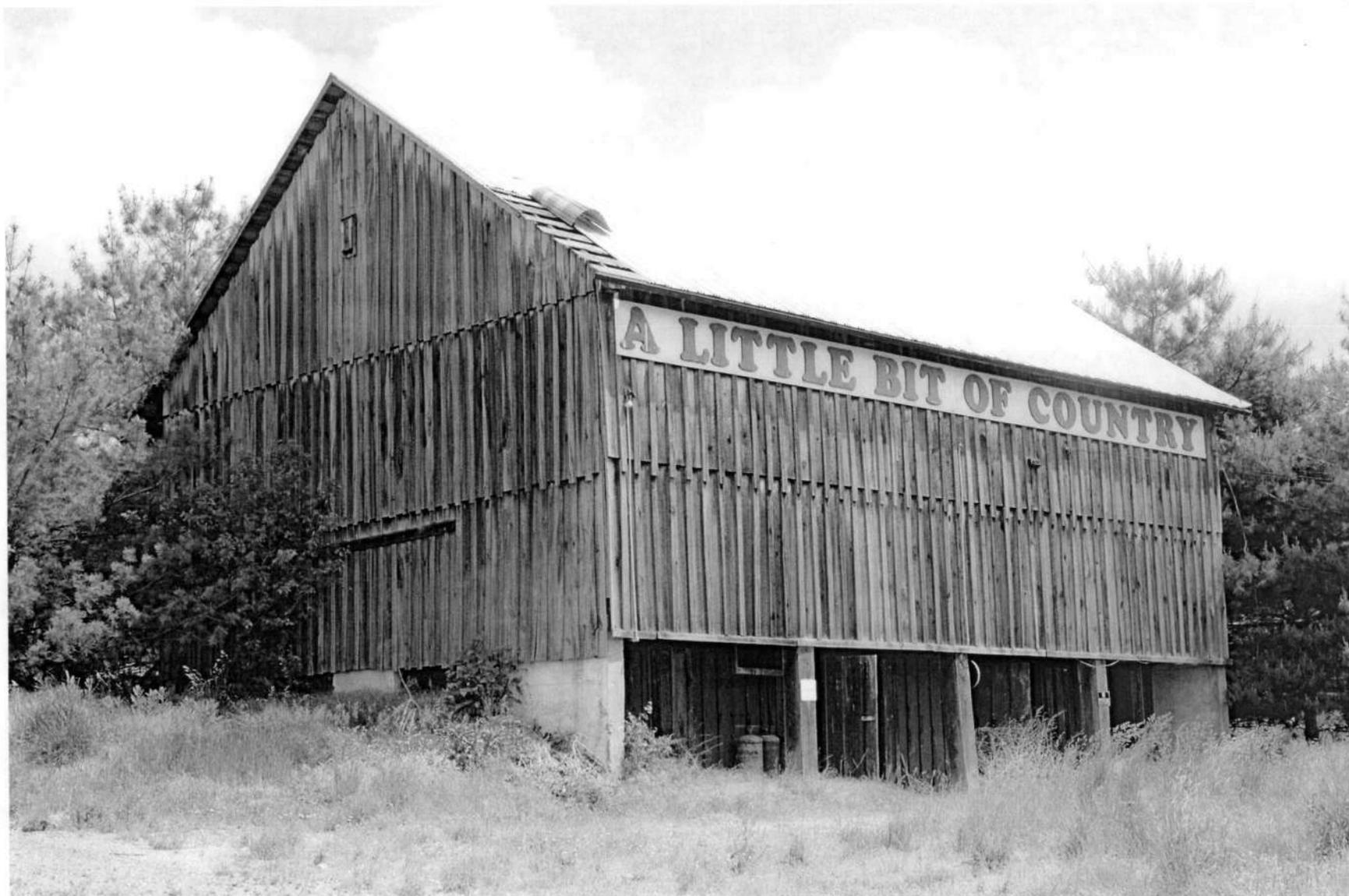
BARN FRAMING SECTION - MEASURED AND DRAWN BY KEN SHORT - MAY 2006

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George Gore Farm
6436 Cedar Lane
Howard County, MD
Barn, west & south
elevations
Ken Short
May 2006
1/4

HO-0906_20060516_02
George Gore Farm
6436 Cedar Lane
Howard County, MD
Barn, east & north
elevations
Ken Short
May 2006
2/4

HO-0906_20060516_03
George Gore Farm
6436 Cedar Lane
Howard County, MD
Barn, interior, east end
framing
Ken Short
May 2006
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George Gore Farm
6436 Cedar Lane
Howard County, MD
Barn, north elevation,
east-center girt w/ knob
& neck joint
Ken Short
May 2006
4/4



HO-906 George Gore Farm 6436 Cedar Lane Barn, west & south elevations
Ken Short, May 2006, 1/4



HO-906 George Gore Farm 6436 Cedar Lane Barn, east & north elevations
Ken Short, May 2006, 2/4



HO-906 George Gore Farm 6436 Cedar Lane Barn, interior, east end framing
Ken Short, May 2006, 3/4



HO-906 George Gore Farm 6436 Cedar Lane Barn, north elevation, east-center girt w/ knob & neck joint
Ken Short, May 2006, 4/4

A black and white photograph of a weathered wooden barn. The barn is constructed of vertical wooden planks and has a gabled roof. A sign is mounted on the side of the barn, reading "A LITTLE BIT OF COUNTRY" in bold, capital letters. The barn is situated in a rural setting with trees and brush in the background and foreground. The sky is bright with scattered clouds.

A LITTLE BIT OF COUNTRY

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West & South elevations

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East & North elevations

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